



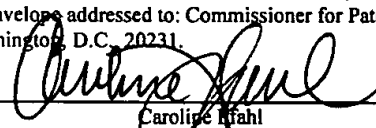
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 SALES MANAGING SYSTEM AND)
 ARTICLE SEILLING SYSTEM)

Group Art Unit: 2165
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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Respectfully submitted,
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